

NEWS and NOTES

DEPUTY CHIEF SECRETARY : The English Church Army recently appointed a new Deputy Chief Secretary, and, for the first time, a woman holds this position — Sister E. Carr. Sister Carr is also the Secretary for Women's Work in the English Society.

CAPTAIN MALCOLM : For the past 3½ years, Captain Arthur Malcolm has been working with members of the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd, in Brewarrina and the surrounding area in north-western New South Wales. In early November, he and his wife, Coleen, and children, Andrew and Ruth, moved to North Queensland, where Arthur has begun work as Chaplain of the Yarrabah Aboriginal Settlement, near Cairns.

CAPTAIN AND MRS. FISK : Many early supporters of the Church Army would remember Captain Cecil Fisk, and will be sorry to learn that he has not been well. Captain Fisk spent some time in hospital early in the year, and, more recently, both he and his wife have been on the sick list.

TO THE CHURCH ARMY BOOKSHOP — A CHILD ? The work of the Bookshop in Newcastle is branching out.

On Tuesday, 8th October, a new shop was opened in Grafton, by the Right Rev. D. N. Shearman, Bishop of Grafton. It is situated in attractive, large premises in Prince Street (the main street).

Those living in the Grafton area may have known the Shop by its former name—the Anglican Book Centre.

The Manager is Captain Neil Payne, who also manages the Newcastle Shop. Mrs. D. Trembath works in the Shop and has the oversight of a team of volunteer ladies.

Service. They look forward to being of great assistance to all the Churches, and to individuals, in the northern rivers area of New South Wales, and southern Queensland. They are able to supply a large variety of Bibles, Prayer Books, Christian literature, and Sunday School and Religious Education needs.

Family Effort. In preparing the premises for the opening, Captain Payne was ably assisted by his wife, Judy, their children, Andrea, Mark and Elizabeth, and Judy's mother, Mrs. Banks, of Brisbane.

Information. See elsewhere in this issue for Bookshop advertisements and the addresses of the Newcastle and Grafton Shops.

TWO STARS ! Most of you would be aware that Church Army officers receive Service Stars — one for each seven years. At the Annual General Meeting, on the 25th October, Bishop Chynoweth presented Captain Neil Payne and Captain Doug Quayle with their second stars — fourteen years' commissioned service each.

COMMISSIONING : By the time you receive this issue of The Pioneer, Kevin Cullen and Lorraine Dorrington will have been admitted to the Office of Evangelist, and commissioned as Officers of the Church Army, by the Primate. The date — Saturday, 30th November, 3.00 p.m. at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney. See page 10 for articles by Lorraine and Kevin.

COMMUNITY SERVICE : To give you some idea of the way officers are involved with people in the community, the following is an extract from the Journal of Alcan Australia Limited —

"Well known personality, Capt. Doug Quayle, who represents the Church Army at Alcan locations is currently the President of the Fairfield Lion's Club. At his request, the Foil Division Manager agreed to support a 'save sight appeal' by offering the switchboard and office facilities at Cabramatta Works.

" . . . Wives and local citizens came to the plant and manned the switchboard and other telephones in a 'Ringathon' to raise money for their appeal. It was publicised by local press and radio stations 2GB, 2SM & 2UW . . . and they were able to raise over \$1,500."

"WAS MY FACE RED !" Who was the Church Army officer who asked Bishop Chynoweth, "How does it feel to be a week-old Bishop?", just seven days after his consecration !



EQUIPMENT FOR EVANGELISM

Is your Parish or Organisation planning to be involved in Encounter '75, or some other venture in evangelism ?

Do you feel unsure about how to share your faith with others ?

CHRISTIAN ADVANCE may be a help. This series of leaflets is designed to give lay men and women some practical guidelines for reaching out to their fellows with the message of the Gospel.

What is the Church's message to mankind?

How can we communicate the Gospel message to the people we meet every day?

Opening a conversation.

The Church — what is its purpose?

What is the role of the Christian layman in industry today?

These are just some of the questions that "Christian Advance" helps you to answer and apply in your particular situation.

In addition, a film strip provides a valuable aid to the Home Meetings Session.

For further details about purchasing the complete course, individual leaflets or the filmstrip, write to The Church Army Federal Office (address on page 2).

OUR FINANCIAL POSITION

For the information of our supporters, the following summary has been compiled from our Annual Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1974 :

TOTAL INCOME WAS		\$93254
Subscriptions and Donations		13126
Allocations		3401
Retiring Collections		447
"Pioneer" subscriptions		653
Field work		55894
Gross profit — Bookshop		19370
— Federal Office		172
Interest		191

TOTAL EXPENDITURE WAS		\$96387
Salaries		57763
Training College		6293
Staff Welfare		4131
Bookshop costs		13278
Office expenses, etc.		5921
General expenses and travelling		4978
Board and lodging		2676
Depreciation		1347

This left a DEFICIT on operations of		\$3133
Legacies received		\$10447
Dividends from investments		628
		\$11075
Capital :		
At beginning of year		90630
At end of year		98572
Less Deficit		3133
		7942

FUNDS EMPLOYED WERE :		
Capital		\$98572
General Reserve		8530
Trusts		4873
		111975
EMPLOYMENT OF FUNDS :		
Fixed Assets —		
Land and buildings		82766
Furniture, fittings, cars, van, etc.		16124
		98890
Investments —		
Shares at cost		2963
Current Assets —		
Stocks at cost		12384
Deposit at call		40
Cash at Bank —		1900
General		4000
Trust Funds		4738
Debtors		
		23062
DEDUCT :		
Current liabilities —		
Bank overdraft		1593
Trade creditors		4173
Accrued expenses		
Loans — interest free		3350
Car Finance Board		3824
		12940
Current assets in excess of current liabilities		10122
		111975



"Remember the Lord in everything you do, and He will show you the right way" (Proverbs 3:6 T.E.V.) are working themselves out in my own life.

I now look forward to the work that He has prepared for me to do, in the area of ministry that is awaiting me.

Lorraine Dorrington.

Richard Dyer has also completed his training, and returns to New Zealand to be commissioned as an officer in the Church Army there. His first appointment will be as an "unattached youth worker" in Christchurch.

The ministry to which God calls us has never a dull moment, and why should it? There's no life more exciting than the Christian life — seeking, waiting, finding, discovering daily new gems about the One Whom we serve and love.

In my practical work this year I've —

Sat with an old saint of the Church and listened as she shared of her Christian experience and then sat with an agonised soul as he worked himself through a confused situation; shared in fellowship with the healthy, and offered words of encouragement to folk lying in hospital; thrilled to hear a young child say "Let's talk about Jesus," with a smile of genuine love, and assurance in our Lord and Saviour.

In College and practical work there's always an opportunity to share and to grow in Christ.

I have found that to be in His work, no matter what the situation may be, means joy and growth, through His Spirit. What better medicine for the soul than this!

Richard Dyer.

HALF WAY

Flo Herman (from Bundaberg, Qld.) and Roy Argent (Papakura, New Zealand) have completed one year of their training.

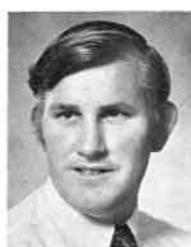


My first year in the Church Army has been exciting, as I came face to face with new and challenging opportunities. These varied from talking to large and small groups, to visiting people, door to door, confronting them with the claims of the Lord Jesus.

I count it a great privilege to have been given the opportunity to tell people of the wondrous things that Jesus can do within our lives. Having discovered what He has done in my own life, I long to share this knowledge with those who are seeking.

I thank God that, in the Church Army, I can become an evangelist for Him.

Flo Herman.



Being dissatisfied with the many jobs I had been in, I approached the Vicar of my Parish at Papakura, New Zealand. I explained to him that none of the jobs had given me the satisfaction for which I had hoped. What I would really like was some kind of full-time work within the Church.

The Vicar suggested that I apply to the Church Army. About a year after making an application I was accepted.

Settling down to study has been difficult, as I fully anticipated. But God is always faithful and I praise Him that I have come so far in training this year.

Roy Argent.



Sister Johnson



In the September issue of The Pioneer, it was mentioned that Sister I. B. Johnson had received her fifth Service Star in August, marking 35 years as an officer of the Church Army. The 14th December is also significant for Sister, as she officially retires that day, marking the close of her "full-time" ministry.



Driving the mission boat.



CHANGES

As with the development of transport and communication over the last 35 years, Sister Johnson can look back and see great changes in the ministry in which she has been involved.

She entered the Training College, at Adamstown in Newcastle, from the Northern Rivers area of New South Wales, and was commissioned on 2nd August, 1939.

THE MISSION FIELD

Her first appointment, on Palm Island, off the coast of Queensland, was a great contrast to the industrial city of Newcastle. Sister found herself doing some rather "different" things —

"I rode a horse over the reef, to take services on the Island. On the return journey, the tide followed me!"

"To reach such places as a leper station, I needed to drive the mission boat."

BACK TO NEWCASTLE

In January 1953, after almost fourteen years in the north, Sister moved to the Training College, where she was on the Staff for almost 3 years.

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some major expenditure for repairs and maintenance would soon arise.

LEGACIES — Of the \$10,447 received from legacies, most of it came from the sale of B.H.P. shares from the legacy left to the Society some years ago by the late Miss F. A. M. Anderson. Other legacies received were \$175 from the estate of the late Ella J. Clout, \$100 from the estate of the late Maud E. Watt and \$16 interest from a legacy from the estate of the late A. C. Dean.

We very much appreciate the thoughtfulness of those who kindly make provision for the Society in their wills.

APPEALS — The response to the Birthday and Christmas Appeals totalled \$4,888. Our gratitude goes to all who kindly responded to the appeals as well as to all who helped the work by their regular subscriptions and by their faithful prayers.

Despite a considerable increase in revenues over the year, expenses also increased, so that, for the sixth consecutive year, the Society finished with a deficit on operations. The deficit was larger than in any of the previous five years.

It was gratifying that the income from subscriptions, donations and allocations increased by almost \$3000 over the previous year.

It is evident that whilst the Society faces opportunities for expansion, it also faces the need for even greater care in the stewardship of its resources and the challenge to find greater resources with which to meet its opportunities.

IN CONCLUSION: Acknowledgement is made of our indebtedness to the many people who helped to make the year's work possible and also to the goodness of God for His blessings given in so many ways. Special thanks are extended to our financial and legal advisors; the dioceses and parishes that allocated gifts to our funds; the many parishes that welcomed officers and students for evangelistic and deputation activities; the many individuals who opened their homes and shared their hospitality with our members; and, not least, to our Board members, our area representatives and all our officers, active and retired.

R. L. Gwilt (Captain)
Federal Secretary.

THE CHURCH ARMY IN AUSTRALIA

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Bookshops:

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Telephone 2 3160

95 Prince Street, Grafton, N.S.W. 2460
Captain N. A. R. Payne, C.A.

THE WORLD WIDE CHURCH ARMY:

The Church Army was founded in England in 1882 by Prebendary Wilson Carlile. It is a lay society of men and women Evangelists of the Anglican Communion. Other autonomous societies were founded in the U.S.A. in 1927, Canada 1928, Australia 1934, New Zealand 1935, Eastern Africa 1962, Jamaica 1969. Officers from some of these societies are also at work in Germany, South America, Malaysia, South Africa, Belize, Cyprus, Holland and West Pakistan.

CHURCH ARMY PRAYER CALENDAR

The following are suggestions for prayer, covering all aspects of the work over a period of 12 weeks.

1st Week: The Executive Board: (names on page 2) the bi-monthly meetings.

2nd Week: Federal Office: Captain R. L. Gwilt (Federal Secretary), Mrs. Gwilt, Peter, Stephen, Andrew and Timothy; Sister P. A. Free (Staff Sister); Mrs. E. Burton (Stenographer); Mrs. J. McLaughlan (Book-Keeper); The Sydney Women's Auxiliary.

3rd Week: Newcastle Bookshop: Captain N. A. R. Payne (Manager), Mrs. Payne, Andrea, Mark and Elizabeth; Sister J. Leslie; Mr. I. Lean (Accountant), Mr. Wilson (Assistant).

Grafton Bookshop: Captain N. A. R. Payne (Manager); Mrs. D. Trembath and voluntary staff.

4th Week: New Housing Areas: Captain R. Harris (Youth Director), Mrs. Harris, Glenda and Kerry, Green Valley, N.S.W.; Sister B. J. Rilatt, Lockridge/Eden Hill, Perth, W.A.

5th Week: Children's Homes: Sister N. J. Bridges (Matron), Farr House, Springfield, S.A.; The Rev. Captain N. Polgen, St. George's Homes, Rockhampton, Qld.; Sister E. N. Bacon on leave of absence.

6th Week: Aboriginal Work: Captain & Mrs. A. Malcolm, Andrew and Ruth, Yarrabah via Cairns, Qld.; Captain A. Polgen, Sydney, N.S.W.

7th Week: Hospital Work: Sister I. B. Johnson, Newcastle, N.S.W. and the work of the Newcastle Women's Auxiliary.

Industrial Evangelism: Captain D. O. Quayle, three factories at Granville, Cabramatta and Homebush in Sydney.

8th Week: Retired Officers: The Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Batley, Captain and Mrs. C. Fisk, Sister G. A. Phillipot, Sister M. Pritchard, Mrs. J. S. Cowland.

9th Week: Parish Evangelism, City: Sister E. Campbell, Riverwood, N.S.W.; Captain K. Donaldson, Kalamunda, W.A.; Captain & Mrs. R. King, Ronwyn and Howard, Randwick, N.S.W.; Captain and Mrs. R. Wallis, Mark, Kingsford, N.S.W.

10th Week: Parish Evangelism, Country: Captain W. Darnley, Gladstone, Qld.; Captain and Mrs. L. Fernance, Faith, Emmaville, N.S.W.; Captain and Mrs. D. W. Hinchliffe, Dapto, N.S.W.; Captain and Mrs. B. Mattinson, Andrew, Christopher, Warwick and Stuart, Campbelltown, N.S.W.; Captain and Mrs. M. Tobin, Julie and Deborah, Cooramundra, N.S.W.

11th Week: The Training College: The Rev. D. G. Livingstone (Hon. Warden), Captain F. D. Clarke (Training College Officer). Students, Kevin Cullen (Mrs. Lyn Cullen and Anthony), Lorraine Dorrington, and Florence Herman for Australia, Richard Dyer and Roy Argent for New Zealand; Mrs. Lyn Brophy and Mrs. Joy Johnson (Cooks). All lecturers. Training College and Candidates Committee.

12th Week: Youth Work: Captain and Mrs. J. Joy, Sharon and Heather, "Burgmann House" Hostel, Newcastle, N.S.W.; Captain J. McKnight, "Alternative Culture" groups evangelism, Binna Burra, N.S.W.; Captain K. Donaldson, part-time Youth Chaplain, Diocese of Perth, W.A.; Captain and Mrs. R. G. Eland, Lance and Paul, temporary work, Sydney.